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Malayan Federation Independence Stamp

August 31 was the day of issue for a 10c commem issued by the Federation of Malaya for Independence Day. The holiday falls on the release date. The design includes a portrait of the Chief Minister Y.T.M. Tunku Abdul Rahman Putra and a symbolical representation of various races welcoming independence.



According to the Washington, D. C. Crown Agents representative the printing was from engraved plates by Waterlow & Sons, Ltd. in a deep brown color.

The original design was produced by Enche Md. Abu Bakar Saman, Majlis Islam, Kota Bharu, Kelantan who submitted the winning design in a competition held in the Malayan Federation.

Colombia Honors UP Congress, Liberator

The Liberator of Costa Rica, Jose Matias Delgado, will be given philatelic honors with a set of two stamps on September 15 by its South American neighbor of Colombia. According to H.A. Musenden, Sr., Airbox 5822, Bogota, Colombia, denominations are to be 2c ordinary postage and 10c airmail. Both stamps will carry Delgado's portrait.

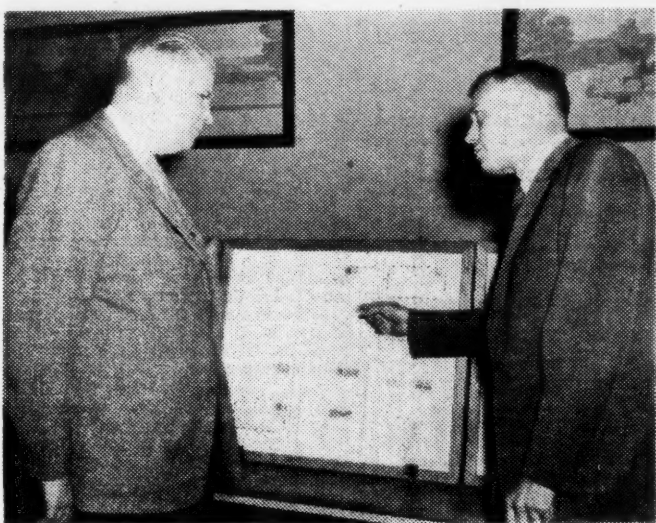
The Universal Postal Union Congress being held for the six weeks following August 14 at Ottawa, Canada, will be memorialized by Colombia on October 6. Two stamps, a 5c ordinary and a 15c airmail, will have a view of the UPU Monument at Berne, Switzerland and the portraits of the three signers of the first Latin-American Postal Agreement.

The document was drawn up between Colombia, Ecuador and Venezuela, and signed in 1838.

Caterpillar Stamp Club To Exhibit In Peoria

The Caterpillar Stamp Club will present its second annual stamp exhibition November 9, 11 a.m. to 9 p.m., in the Jefferson Hotel, Peoria, Ill.

Competition is open to all employees of the Caterpillar Tractor Co. and their immediate families.



SETTING UP A SYSTEM! S. Clark Place, left, president of the Niagara Frontier Federation of Stamp Clubs, and A. James Wennermark, right, general chairman, are discussing the setting up of a point system for the guidance of the judges in the Federation's coming exhibition. They are using one of the entries as a discussion piece. The affair is to be staged in the Sheraton Hotel, Rochester, N. Y. October 5 and 6.

Detroit Historical Museum Now Has Philatelic Section; Plan 2 Exhibitions Per Year

Heinz Hoffmann

Detroit has among other museums a Historical Museum, founded by the Detroit Historical Society and in 1951 turned over to the City of Detroit. The Detroit Historical Commission, appointed by the Mayor, is in complete charge, except that their budget has to be approved by the Detroit Common Council, which depends very much on the interest the public has shown in visiting their own museum. Figures tell.

A visit to the institution revealed not a single sign of philately, but that it had last year, during the month of August alone, 30,000 visitors. Since postal history played a great part in the development of Detroit, it was difficult to realize why there shouldn't be a section for Detroit and Michigan postal history.

Was the reason, that none of the honorable commissioners ever collected stamps? Were they thinking only of children playing with little pieces of colored papers, called postage stamps, or was postal history, not important enough to have its place?

Whatever it was, the Commission resisted, for nearly three years, requests and reasoning, but finally gave in. It was announced to the public that from now on there will be a permanent section at the museum for philately, specializing in Detroit and Michigan postal

history.

There will be two stamp exhibition per year, each for two months. Stamps in other displays will be used also, as related material, whenever possible and if stamps are available.

The museum's director, Henry D. Brown, appealed to stamp collectors to supply a short description of their collections available for different stamp and other exhibits. All material loaned is insured.

The creation of a permanent philatelic section at the Detroit Historical Museum is opening a great recruiting field for new collectors to join our hobby.

During many visits to stamp exhibitions I found out that it was

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Switzerland Prepares Sets For Universal Postal Union, World Health Organization

For a number of years Switzerland has supplied various international cultural and health organizations, which have headquarters in that country at Geneva, with stamps and postal facilities for their mail. They were generally made by overprinting the name or initials of the group on current Swiss postage stamps. A recent trend has been to supply definitive stamp designs to them. The United Nations office and the International Labor Bureau are two which have had such designs — both supplied some months ago.

Now due for their own special series are the International Bureau of the Universal Postal Union located at Berne, and the World Health Organization at Geneva. The first day of issue will be September 16.

Collectors will be offered the opportunity of buying mint copies of these stamps in any quantity, and having them cancelled on cover or on a Leaflet for collectors or in an appropriate Folder. Covers, however, will not be delivered as normal pieces of mail but must be returned within another envelope to be supplied by the purchaser.



Stamps of the various Bureaus are not usable in the general sense of ordinary postage stamps except by authorized Bureau personnel.

Denominations and colors of the UPU series are — 5c gray, 10c green, 20c red, 40c blue, 60c brown and 2fr. purple. Printing is in sheets of 50 subjects from engraved plates at the Postage Stamp Printing Office of the PTT at Berne.

"Pegasus" a sculpture on the wall of the Universal Postal Union Bldg., is the design for the 10, 20 and 60c. The Monument of the UPU at Berne is to be seen on the 5c, 40c and 2fr.

The Pegasus design is the work of Eric Poncy of Grange-Canal, the UPU Monument that of Hans Thoni of Berne. The engraving

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Iceland Pair Offer Forestry Propaganda

Icelanders will be given a bit of forestry propaganda when on September 4 that island nation will release a set of two with that theme. According to Jonas Hallgrimsson, P.O. Box 1116, Reykjavik, Iceland the stamps are to be produced from engraved plates.



Denominations are 35 and 70 aurar. A tree set against mountains peaks comprises the design of the low value while a grown tree surrounded by young trees is pictured on the high.

Iceland will issue the stamps in conjunction with a campaign to make its citizens more conscious of its forest industry and products.

First Flight Cachet From Air Force Base

Effective on or about September 3, airmail service will be inaugurated at Eglin Air Force Base, Florida, by Southern Airways, Inc., AM-98.

Special cachet will be provided for the first flight at Eglin Air Force Base, and the usual treatment of philatelic mail authorized.

Envelopes must bear a name and address, 6c postage, contain stuffers and have the flaps sealed or turned in. These are then to be sent to the "Postmaster, Eglin Air Force Base, Fla." with a request for service on the first flight.

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That the Bureau of Engraving and Printing is proceeding with preparations for the inevitable increases in postal rates is indicated by its report for July, with six new plate numbers being assigned to the 4c Liberty regular stamp. Meantime, the two new 4c plates assigned in June were sent to press for their first printings.

In the report of plates retired during the month, one potentially elusive number is listed.

The full list of 41 plates assigned during the month follows: Air Force 6c commem, 200-subject plates, numbers 25761-2-3-4, Magsaysay 8c commem (blue background), 192-subject plates, numbers 25765, 25771-2; (medallion), numbers 25766, 25773, 25784-5-6, 25791.

Liberty 3c coil, 384-subject plates, numbers 25767-8-9-70.

Liberty 3c booklet, 360-subject plates, numbers 25774-5, 25789-90.

Virginia of Sagadahock 3c commem, 200-subject plates, numbers 25776-7-8-9.

Liberty 4c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25780-1-2-3, 25787-8.

Special Delivery 30c, 200-subject plates, numbers 25796-7.

La Fayette 3c commem, 200-subject plates, numbers 25798-9, 25800-01.

Liberty 3c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25792-3-4-5.

The following plates were sent to press and printed from for the first time in July:

Liberty 1c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25707-8, 25714-5, 25727-8.

Liberty 2c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25586, 25589-90-1-2.

Liberty 3c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25587-8, 25607-8-9-10, 25671-2, 25716-7.

Liberty 3c booklet, 384-subject plates, numbers 25693-4, 25718-9.

Liberty 4c regular, 400-subject plates, numbers 25747-8.

Air Force 6c commem, 200-subject plates, numbers 25761-2-3-4.

Magsaysay 8c commem, 192-subject plates, (blue background), numbers 25771-2.

Virginia of Sagadahock 3c commem, 280-subject plates, numbers 25776, 25779.

ADDITIONAL TO REPORT FOR MAY 1957: The following plates, not included in the report for May 1957 as submitted by the Department, went to press during that month:

Air Mail 6c booklet, 360 subject plates, numbers 25360, 25376.

A total of 25 plates was cancelled during July, of which number only two had sufficiently few impressions to merit particular interest as potentially scarce plate numbers, as indicated by the figures in parentheses following the two numbers concerned. However, since the 2c item is a booklet, and due to the loss of numbers in cutting these apart, this may eventually become a rather scarce item. The plates cancelled were:

25444 (76,320), Liberty 2c booklet.

25451, 25453-4-5, 25697-8, Liberty 4c regular.

25545, 25548, 25550, 25559 (44,285), 25560, 25583, 25587-8, Liberty 3c regular.

25664-5, 25667-8, 25639, 25640, Liberty 3c booklet.

25695-6, 25678, 25691, Liberty 1c regular.

Rare "Missionaries" In Next Caspary Sale

The tenth catalog of the series of sixteen Alfred H. Caspary sales has just been published by H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36.



Confederate 1862-10c deep rose, in next Caspary sale.

The first group to be auctioned, October 8, comprises the collection of Hawaiian Islands in 344 lots, including eleven lots of the 1851-52 "Missionary" Issue. Lot 1 is a copy of the rare 2c cataloging \$15,000. Lot 2 is the famous unique cover bearing a 2c and 5c used with a pair of U. S. 1851 3c to New York. This extraordinary cover, one of the greatest items known to philately, is estimated by the auctioneers to bring \$25,000. Of the

remaining nine Missionaries, six are still on the original entires.

October 9 will see the disposal of the general issues of the Confederate States. (The Postmasters' Provisionals were auctioned March 6, 1956 for a total of \$234,699.) The 1861 5c green is represented by 57 lots including two o.g. strips of five, an irregular block of six and some wonderful covers. The 10c blue is found in an o.g. block of four, and many pairs on cover; the rare 1863 frame line 10c comes in two pairs, one on cover, and three singles on covers.

The catalog of 104 pages, containing half-tone illustrations of 428 of the lots is now available from H. R. Harmer, Inc., 6 W. 48th St., New York 36, N. Y. at \$1 (refundable to purchasers in this and future Caspary auctions).

HPO Bus Exhibit At Louisville, Ky. Fair

The announcement has been released by the Highway Post Office Society that an HPO Bus Exhibit will be operated at the Kentucky State Fair, Louisville, Ky., September 6 to 15, inclusive.

Covers should be sent to District Transportation Manager, Postal Transportation Service, District 8, Louisville 1, Ky., with notation as to the date(s) on which service is desired. Each cover must bear 3c postage and be addressed, and should contain a stuffer and have the flap sealed or tucked in.

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257/9	.35	222/24	8.00
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B61/4 &		227	1.75
B61	0.00	228	.95
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Philatelists desiring covers should send them to the postmasters at San Francisco, Los Angeles and Seattle with 15c in Airmail postage affixed to each cover, or 10c air letter sheets. Each cover should be endorsed to show which flight it should be dispatched on.

The first departure from San Francisco and Los Angeles to London is September 10; from San Francisco and Los Angeles to Paris, September 13, and from Seattle to London on September 16.

To obtain covers from Paris to San Francisco or Los Angeles a self-addressed envelope containing 25c in coin (stamps are not acceptable) should be forwarded to the Philatelic Office, Pan American World Airways, San Francisco International Airport, San Francisco 28, Calif. to arrive not later than noon September 3.

These envelopes should also be clearly marked to indicate if they are to be dispatched from Paris to San Francisco or from Paris to Los Angeles. Covers that are not so marked will be dispatched Paris to San Francisco.

Arrangements have not yet been concluded with the British Postal Ministry for first flight covers from London to the U.S.A. If these arrangements are made in time to allow for public participation, announcements will be made through Philatelic publications and local newspapers.

The covers can only be addressed for delivery in the United States and should contain a filler to assure a clear cachet and cancellation. The address on each cover should be at the extreme right of the envelope to allow space for the cachet on the left of the envelope.

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Postal Rate Increase Approved By House

The House of Representatives has passed a Postal Rate Increase Bill which if approved by the Senate will go into effect on October 1. The bill among other things provides for a boost to 4c for surface mail and 7c for airmail. Included in the bill was an amendment which would raise the rate on third class mail which is principally circular matter. The rate on this class of mail has been 1c per piece. The new rate will be 2½c per piece.

While this seems like a very sharp increase we are of the opinion that it will be a desirable one for the very reason that it will eliminate from the mails a tremendous amount of circular matter which is undesirable to the average patron, especially in the smaller communities in which a great part of all mail is delivered through Post Office Boxes. Here in Howey, for example and this is perhaps typical of thousands of small towns, most of the residents have a Post Office box. I believe that other residents, in fact most of the residents would welcome this increase in the third class mail rate as it should eliminate from their mail boxes almost every day, from one to several circulars which most of us merely take from the boxes and dump in the convenient waste paper basket that is in the lobby of the post office.

Years ago the custom with such printed matter as this was to have it passed from house to house but the Post Office Department has become the biggest bill passer and those firms that made a business of passing handbills have been driven from the business. Certainly the public does not appreciate this stuffing of their post office boxes with hand bills and certainly a rate of 1c per piece for such distribution is not a profit making one for the Post Office Department.

On the other hand, legitimate circular matter of a type that might be of interest will receive more consideration from the public than in the past.

There was also another amendment to the original bill which hits at second class mail rates. This amendment provides that each individual publication is limited to a sum of \$100,000 per year in postage at the present rates which are in effect a subsidy for second class mail. For postage costs beyond that figure in any year, the publication will be charged on a basis which the Department would estimate as "cost".

We must remember that second class mail rates are very much higher today than they were four or five years ago. In that period there have been several raises in second class mail rates.

Just what effect the above change in the rate schedule would have would be felt only by the larger publications. Whether the rate would be so high as to force them to advance subscription rates is not known, but we do know that this advance would not reach a publication such as ours.

Our annual postage bill for mailing the paper is between \$15,000 and \$20,000 per year.

Whether this advance is a good plan or not is questionable. The original thought concerning second class mail rates was based on an intention to provide a low postage rate so that the public could afford to subscribe to publications and thus receive an amount of good reading matter of its choice, as deemed necessary. This original rate acted more as a subsidy to the subscriber than to the publisher. With a low postage cost big circulation was possible and with big circulation a higher advertising rate could be procured and thus a better publication produced for the reader.

Any alteration in second class mail rates that will upset this arrangement to any considerable extent is not a desirable change.

As for the first class letter and the airmail rate we feel that if such an advance is necessary that we can pay it without it being a burden. Canada has a 4c letter rate. However we feel that in this Postal Rate Bill that the Congress is avoiding the real issue. The real issue is a complete overhauling of the entire Post Office Department. It should be operated as a big business. Given an opportunity to grow and improve its methods of handling and doing business and based on its receipts should make an effort to operate within its income. What the Department needs is an honest deal whereby it can operate independently of the political machine of either party. For years past the P. O. D. has been a political football of the party in power. It has had no chance to operate as big business.

There are many thousands of post offices in this country in which the postmaster is a political plant. This gentleman does little of the work of management, drops into the office for a few minutes each day or even not so frequently. The actual work is done by an assistant postmaster but the fat salary goes to the political appointee who does but little to earn it yet the sum wasted in this manner runs into many hundreds of thousands of dollars per year.

Without curtailing the efficiency of the department in any manner whatever, any good business-man could effect savings of hundreds of thousands of dollars annually by eliminating these political postmasters and by doing many other things which would be readily apparent to any one who can think straight.

Let us hope that some day some congressman will think seriously enough of these facts to introduce a bill that will aim to put the Post Office Department on a sound business basis. It is perhaps the biggest business institution in the world.

The fault does not lie with Mr. Summerfield but with the Congress of these United States.

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We have had more complaints over the distribution of these stamps by post offices than over any other stamp. It seems that postmasters have favorites or even buy up the plate blocks themselves.

One Day Exhibition Set For Scranton

The Northeastern Pennsylvania Philatelic Society will hold its Eighth Annual Exhibition and Banquet in Scranton, Pa., September 28.

The show will be staged in the Chamber of Commerce Bldg. from 12 noon until 10 p. m.; the dinner is set for 6:30 p. m. at the Scranton Club. Principal speaker at the affair will be Ernest A. Kehr, stamp editor of

the New York Herald-Tribune.

A temporary post office will be operated at the exhibition; cacheted envelopes duly postmarked can be had for 10c each. Orders are to be sent to Mrs. T. R. McDonald, 302 Dudley St., Dunmore, Pa. She also has seals for the event, at 5c each or 40c for a complete perforated sheet of eight.

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Ten Varied Articles For Congress Book

Ten authors have accepted invitations to contribute articles to the 1957 Book of The American Philatelic Congress. They have been extended to other authors, and it is expected that the 1957 Book will contain at least fifteen articles. As announced by the Congress Book editor, David Lidman, the ten and their subjects are:

Charles I. Ball of Cleveland: "Australian Commemorative Postal Cards—Visit of the American Fleet, 1908"

Franklin R. Bruns Jr., of Washington: "U.S. Revenue Essays and Proofs". Mr. Bruns is director of the Division of Philately and Postal History of the Smithsonian Institution, and his article will be based on the National Collection.

Morris Fortgang of New York: "The 1857 Issues—Rarities", in commemoration of the centennial of the first perforated United States stamps.

Richard P. Hedley of Buffalo: "Canada, 1870-1893 'Small Heads'"

A. Jay Hertz of New York: "Wells Fargo Covers"

Robert W. Murch of St. Louis: "Unlisted (Scott) Material"

Barbara Mueller of Jefferson, Wis.: "U.S. Registry Labels"

Dr. John N. Myer of New York: "The 'Numeral' Issues of Colombia, 1904-16"

Douglas N. Patrick of Ontario: "Pioneer India Airmails"

Helen K. Zirkle: "Korea's First Issue"

The 1957 American Philatelic Congress will be held October 4-6 at the Monticello Hotel, Norfolk, Va. Admiral Jesse G. Johnson is chairman of the Norfolk committee. The Congress coincides with the Jamestown celebration, and a number of Congress events will be observed in connection with this fete.

Membership in The American Philatelic Congress, which includes a copy of the Congress Book, is \$5 a year. Information may be obtained from the secretary, Mrs. Conway Zirkle, 2307 Secane Road, Secane, Pa.

Egypt Creating New Philatelic Rarity

Excepting those individuals within the boundaries of Egypt whose collections are being "purged" of the stamp concerned, no one is particularly unhappy or critical about Egypt's latest move which is indirectly creating a new rare stamp of an old issue.

As a result of the present condition of Middle East politics, a once popular British figure has become "non grata" in the land of the Nile.

Recently a zealous Egyptian Government employee discovered that, in 1936, the Nile kingdom had honored Sir Anthony Eden, then British Foreign Secretary, with a special postal issue commemorating the Anglo-Egyptian treaty of mutual assistance.

After the Suez invasion of last November, the Egyptian police were given the task of searching for all those compromising stamps and burning them.

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Data Released On Late Stamp Designs

Information now available from the Post Office Department concerning three recent stamps discloses that the basic design of the August 15 "Virginia of Sagadahock" 3-center released at Bath, Me., was executed by Mrs. William Zorach, Archibald N. Main, Jr., and George F. Cary, II, in collaboration with Ervine Metz of the Stamp Advisory Committee.

It was modeled by Victor S. McCloskey, Jr., and engraved by Richard M. Bower (vignette) and John S. Edmondson (outline frame, lettering and numerals).

The 30c special delivery item, scheduled for release September 3 at Indianapolis, was designed by Mr. McCloskey. The vignette was engraved by Matthew D. Fenton, lettering was by John S. Edmondson, and the numeral by Reuben K. Barrick.

The basic design of the La Fayette stamp to be issued September 6 at Easton, Pa., Fayetteville, N.C., and Louisville, Ky., was executed by Mr. Metz and modeled by Charles R. Chickering. Charles A. Brooks engraved the portrait and ornaments, and Robert J. Jones, the double outline frame, lettering and numerals.

1957 STAMP PROGRAM
Sept. 3—Special Delivery 30c, Indianapolis, Ind. (50 per pane; covers require 3c or 6c postage in addition to new stamp).
Sept. 6—Lafayette Birth Bicentennial, Fayetteville, N.C.; Easton, Pa., and Louisville, Ky. (50 per pane, 100 million).
Wildlife Conservation (details not announced).

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1086—Hamilton 3c, New York, N. Y. January 11.
1087—Polio 3c, Washington, D. C. January 15.
1088—C & GS 3c, Seattle, Wash. February 11.
1089—Architects 3c, New York, N. Y. February 23.
1090—Steel 3c, New York, N. Y. May 22.
1091—Jamestown 3c, Norfolk, Va., June 10.
1092—Oklahoma 3c, Oklahoma City, Okla., June 14.
1093—Teachers 3c, Philadelphia, Pa., July 1.
1094—U. S. Flag 4c, Washington, D. C., July 4.
1095—Shipbuilding 3c, Bath, Me., August 15.
1096—Magsaysay 8c, Washington, D. C., August 31.
C49—Air Force 6c, Washington, D. C., August 1.

CANADA
Sept. 5—Mining 5c (See Linn's of July 29 for FDC details).

UNITED NATIONS
Oct. 24—3c and 8c UN Day.
Dec. 10—3c and 8c Human Rights Day.

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NOTES

By CARL P. RUETH

Since the appearance of the "Deep Freeze III" article on page 10 of the August 19 edition there has been a number of inquiries as to the amount of postage which must be affixed to the envelopes. Collectors were offered the opportunity of obtaining a cover cancelled at each of the three stations where mail facilities will be established in the Antarctic by the U. S. Navy's Operation Deep Freeze III. You need only put 3c postage on each cover. There is absolutely no service charge of any kind. Requests for service must be addressed as follows and in no other way - "Deep Freeze Philatelic Mail, Construction Battalion Center, Davisville, R. I."

Envelopes must bear your name and address, contain a stuffer, have the flap sealed or turned in, and bear 3c postage. If you have any extra 3c Byrds around this is a fine opportunity to use them appropriately. Unless unforeseen developments arise covers will be cancelled at Little America, Byrd Station and South Pole Station. And please remember - it might be late in '58 before these are returned to the U. S. for distribution. In any event, getting your covers back isn't a matter of life or death, and you don't have a million dollars tied up in them.

1. Two of the stamps of the Washington Bi-Centennial issue 1932 showed him wearing a hat. Which denominations?
2. The commemorative immediately preceding the Bi-Cents also had a portrait of Washington. Which was it?

Made an error of dates in last week's Notes. I'll be at MAVEX in Youngstown, Ohio on September 21 and 22, and not the 27th and 28th. As mentioned I'll have some pages from my Austrian collection in the Court of Honor, and be one of the judges.

One by one the stamps of the Presidential series are disappearing from the list of those available at the Philatelic Agency. Off sale since August 16 are the 1c, 11c and 17c. If my "figgerin'" is correct that leaves the 1 1/2c, 7c, 9c, 10c, 15c, 20c and 25c.

The commems are being absorbed in steady fashion as well - I believe there is none of the 1955 ones now on hand and a couple of the 1956's are sold out. The best way to get definite information on the current situation is to drop a line and a 3c stamped, addressed envelope to the Philatelic Agency, Post Office Department, Washington 25, D. C. with a request for the current list.

The Post Office Department will be officially represented at the three cities where the first day of issue of the La Fayette commem will take place. All men are of Assistant Postmaster General status. They are - John M. McKibbin at Easton, Pa.; Hyde Gillette at Fayetteville, N. C.; Eugene Lyons at Louisville, Ky.

P. W. Hellige of Saco, Maine attended the first day ceremonies recently at Bath, Maine when the Shipbuilding commem was released. Says he got quite a thrill out of the affair. Apparently they had quite a to-do what with members of President Eisenhower's

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cabinet, high postal officials, congressmen, Maine's governor and other "brass" present. Mr. Hellige sent along one of the official programs bearing a copy of the "Virginia etc." commem, tied thereon with a first day handstamp. It is a nice looking item as is a souvenir sheet which has the automatic cancelling machine marking and a handstamp one.

He included a cover which is about as appropriate as one could get with this first day. It had the cancellation of Popham Beach, Maine on the first day of issue. As you know the stamp itself marked the 350th anniversary of the "Virginia etc." constructed by the Popham Colony. The present Popham Beach is almost on the exact site of the original Popham Colony of three-and-a-half centuries ago.

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The recent list of literature available at the U. S. Government Printing Office had an item which might be interesting to some of you with "bug" trouble. You don't hear of it so much anymore, at least in our part of the country, but there was a time when great damage was caused by Silverfish and Firebrats.

Now silverfish aren't fish, and firebrats aren't smart aleck kids who start fires. They're insects and either one could up your temperature. They like starchy things like gum on stamps, wallpaper, and clothing. They also eat the bindings of books, again for the starch and glue and are apt to eat all around and through the pages. Such are the bug characters which the government "fingers".

The pamphlet consists of six pages, sells for 5c (coin) and gives means to rid your premises of the pests. Ask for Catalog No. A 1.35-412. Address orders to Supt. of Documents, U. S. Govt. Ptg. Office, Washington 25, D. C. It is always good policy to look through your albums, books and accumulations of stamps every now and again to discover if the insects have moved in. Look in closed boxes and everything - open the pages of your books and albums.

Mrs. Edna E. Sheldon of Long Island City, N. Y. is greatly interested in old books and newspapers and has quite a collection of such material. She also has a husband who is a stamp collector and a subscriber to Linn's. She supplies him with many odds and ends of

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25-26	.80	.80	3.50	5.50
27-28	1.10	.75	3.75	7.00
29-30	8.50	4.25	43.95	60.00
31-32	.65	.50	3.50	4.75
33-34	1.10	.70	3.00	5.25
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philatelic information culled from her collection of literature. One of them, she sent along to me. It is quite appropriate at this time in view of the campaign for postal rate increases and the curtailment, some time ago, of carrier delivery service.

The news piece is from the August 27, 1936 edition of the New York Mirror. That's about eleven years before our first U. S. postage stamp. The article reads -

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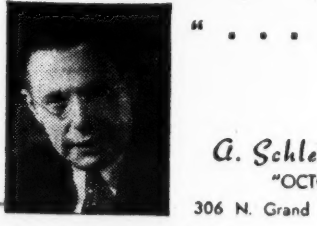
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Investigation reveals certain facts that are enlightening, albeit not comforting save possibly to colonial senders of mail who have been unjustly suspected of a lack of promptness in their operations.

Beginning about February of this year, various ocean shipping lines found it expedient to discontinue many of their routings via British Guiana, although nearby Trinidad was not so affected. Thereupon the local postal authorities had to choose between letting mails wait for the next boat on an if-as-when basis, and transshipping them via Trinidad at a considerable additional expense which would of course have been added to the senders' original postage costs.

Further checking discloses that very few vessels continue to operate between Guiana and New York, and that only "occasional" ships connect the colony and New Orleans.

Thus the situation stands at the moment; airmail moves readily in both directions, but persons expecting surface mail letters or parcels must be prepared to wait indefinitely for casual boat connections to be made.

It is understood that if the ocean mail situation is not improved in the near future, the British Guiana postal authorities contemplate routing such mail via Trinidad, and increasing the postage rates accordingly.

Argentina Honors Economic Conference

A vertical format, violet-blue commemorative of two pesos value was released August 16 by Argentina in honor of the Inter-American Economic Conference held in Buenos Aires.



The design is a map of the three Americas, with the seal of the city of Buenos Aires superimposed in the lower left quarter.

The stamp is 22 x 32½mm in size; the edition is three million copies.

Barkhausen Nesbitts On Display, Detroit

Among the outstanding exhibits to attract visitors at the Great Lakes Stamp Show, scheduled for September 28-29 in the Tuller Hotel, Detroit, Mich., will be twelve frames of the "L. H. Barkhausen" collection of the 1853-70 die varieties of the U. S. "Nesbitt" stamped envelopes.

This will be a comprehensive display of 70 pages it would prove difficult to duplicate anywhere. It is a complete study of the die varieties of the envelopes manufactured for the Post Office Department by George F. Nesbitt during the period 1853-1870. Included are all the known die and type varieties, represented mainly by complete entireties, with some cut squares.

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"Jerry", at his personal expense, hopes to increase mutual understanding and friendship among topical philatelists and to create more interest in topicals and the ATA en route. He will attend special meetings arranged in London and Paris.

During his absence new memberships, renewals, handbook or "Topical Time" back issue orders, or general inquiries about topical collecting and the activities of the American Topical Assn., will be answered by Mrs. Lawrence A. Husak and Ennis C. Cleveland. All mail requiring personal attention will be answered in order of receipt, after October 5.

Further information about ATA is obtainable for a 3c stamped self addressed envelope sent to E. C. Cleveland, 5104 W. Wisconsin Ave., Apt. 3, Milwaukee 13, Wis.

Part II Polish Postmarks Catalog

The second of a projected five uniform pamphlets cataloging Polish special postmarks has just been released by publisher and co-author John C. Crimlisk, 9 Victoria Ave., Filey, Yorkshire, England. His associate in the preparation of the lists is Jerzy Kwiatkowski of Edinburgh, Scotland.

This present "Part II, Polish Special Postmarks Catalogue" lists 335 cancellations, many of them unique aviation events, from August 1929 through August 1936, along with pertinent information about them. The price is 50c, postpaid, from the publisher, with wholesale discount to dealers.

A few copies of Part I, with listings down to August 1929, are still available at the same 50c price.

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A total attendance of upwards of 10,000 is expected, with special emphasis being made to attract junior collectors.

A suitable souvenir sheet will be issued, and cacheted covers will be offered at 10c each, mailed to any point in the U. S. on the first day of the show. The souvenir sheets are 10c each, 3 for 25c.

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#43-44	.60	2.30	2.75	.55	.65
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Each of the participating nations will interpret as it prefers the philosophy "United Europe: Contribution to Peace, and Source of Prosperity".



In the Netherlands, artist Dick Elffers of Amsterdam designed a stamp showing a six-pointed star in the shape of a blade wheel to symbolize the activity of the member countries. Near each point of the star a letter of the word "Europa" is printed, with the "E" doubling as the middle vowel of "Nederland".

The development of European integration is symbolized by an emblem in the top right-hand corner of the stamp, with the value in the top left. There are two denominations: 10c and 30c. The stamps are printed 100 to the sheet, on unwatermarked paper, by Enschede & Sons, of Haarlem.

The respective colors of the two have not been announced.

The new twosome will be on sale 60 days, and valid for postage through 1958. Orders for them may be sent to The Philatelic Service, The Hague, Netherlands, at 11c U. S. per set, plus return postage (8c per ounce). Remittance may be made by international money order, bank draft or certified check.

Famous Mail Stage
Route To Be Re-Run

Scheduled for a one-day "revival" is the famous Butterfield Overland Mail Route of a century ago. On September 14 an authentic stage coach will again cover a modest portion of the old trail, bearing souvenir mail.

Covers will be posted at Atoka, Okla. where they will receive the special machine slogan cancel "Butterfield Overland Mail Centennial", be stamped "VIA STAGE COACH" in red, and placed in a mail pouch aboard a stage coach and carried along a portion of the old Overland Mail route to Durant, Okla. where they will be back-stamped upon arrival. The cachet to be used is illustrated here.

This re-run is a part of the celebration marking the 100th anniversary of the origin of the famous Pacific Overland Mail. Special ceremonies are being staged at Durant by the Chamber of Commerce, the Oklahoma Overland Mail Centennial Committee, and the Bryan County Oklahoma Semi-Centennial Committee.

The vehicle to be used is an original Concord coach beautifully restored by the owner, John D. Frizzell of Oklahoma City. It, together with a replica of one of the log cabin stage stations, will be on display in Durant during the three-day celebration.

Orders for engraved cacheted covers to be carried "Via Stage Coach" should be sent with remittance of 20c. per cover to Earl P. Enos, Box 367, Duncan, Okla.

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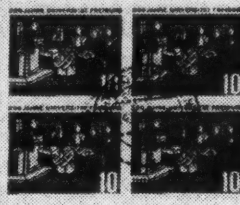
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SCHOOL OF LEARNING'S ANNIVERSARY. June 24 was the day of issue for a 10pf. green, red and black commem which the West German Postal Administration released for the 500th anniversary of founding of the University of Freiburg. The design, showing a medieval professor teaching students, is reminiscent of a stained glass window. Joachim Dill, Martin Luther Str. 28, a.d. fraenk. Saale, (13a) Bad Neustadt, Germany sent the cover.

POD Offers Special
Slogan Cancellations

The Post Office Department announces that one temporary post office and two special slogan cancellations will be operated during parts of the coming three months.

The temporary station will be operated October 25-27 at the NASPEX exhibition of the Nassau Suffolk Philatelic Alliance, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y. Covers for this station may be handed in in person at the affair, or ordered at 10c each (3 for 25c) from NASPEX, Box 459, Hempstead, L. I., N. Y.

Slogan cancellations as announced may be obtained by sending self-addressed, stamped envelopes to the postmaster concerned, requesting that such cancellation be applied. Covers should contain fillers, and the flaps should be sealed or tucked in. The two post offices offering this service are:

Kenilworth, N. J., September 3 through December 31, "BORO OF KENILWORTH / GOLDEN JUBILEE / 1907 - - - 1957", and Glendale, Calif., September 10-17, "THE BIRTHDAY / OF OUR CONSTITUTION / SEPTEMBER 17th".

Suburban Club Show
Postponed One Week

The Suburban Collectors Club, Chicago, Ill. reports that last-minute changes have been forced upon them by circumstances beyond their control. As a result, their open house evening in the new meeting rooms in the recently completed Community Center, Hinsdale, Ill. has been moved from September 18 to 25. Visitors and prospective new members who read the notice in Linn's of August 26 will please note the revised date.

Similarly, since the Chicago Philatelic Society's big exhibition has been set for November 16-17, the Suburban group has shifted the previously announced exhibition and bourse to November 23-24, just one week later than originally scheduled. It will be called SUPEX '57, a name which will be retained in the future.

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PLATE BLOCK
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A Provoking Incident

Just recently I read an article in one of the stamp papers which I thought was rather shocking. The contents were irritating, mainly because the position of a man writing an article for the interest of the collectors at large, as well as the dealers, should exercise considerably more restraint than submit for publication figures and prices which are the prejudiced views of an individual and not in the least bit the reflection of true values for the plate numbers of the United States as a whole. However, unintentional and innocent the motive may have been, the writing of this article does more damage to plate number collecting than meets the eye on the surface.

Frequently in the past I have tried to bring out the fact that any man, be he collector, accumulator, part time or full time dealer, has the freedom to print or publish any kind of a price list he so pleases and ask any price for any plate number or position he chooses. If it pleases his fancy he may put a price of \$5 on a plate block that is worth no more than 25c and without explanation. He may even put a price of \$4.91 instead of \$5 without the necessity of advancing an explanation how he arrives at this fancy figure.

Collectors as a whole may, sooner or later, get wise to this fancy juggling of figures and ignore them by not patronizing the particular dealer whose prices may soar to unbelievable heights. Advertising agencies tell us one good way of promoting prices would be to keep hammering away steadily and sooner or later some of it will stick. Continuous publication of such price lists, with inflated prices represented as values, may ultimately fool some of the people some of the time.

The very same dealer has also the freedom to take the plate block of a normally 25c value and list it one time as \$4.91, a few months later bring it down to \$3.27. In a subsequent price list it can be dropped to 86c. In short, these calisthenics can be engaged in without serious challenge and no real detailed explanation need be offered. If the case should ever arise it can lightly be dismissed with this simple explanation, in very vague and general terms: The reason the price has dropped so sharply is because the supply is great and available, or vice versa, the particular plate number is scarce and most difficult to find.

The average collector is at a great disadvantage in that it is difficult to refute such an explanation and even if proof positive is submitted to the contrary he can be ignored completely. I could probably go on and offer many other examples where, in every instance, the collector, in the common vernacular, can and is "taken for a ride", mainly because some individual likes to set himself up as a demigod and from his ivory tower may be issuing one price list after another, with the subterfuge explanation that these represent true values. No explanations ever accompany the glaring contradictions that are so obnoxiously confusing from one price list to the next.

Seasoned and veteran collectors are aware of these flippant and fickle prices posing as values, and are also fully aware that the

Central Area NFSC
Show, Indianapolis

The National Federation of Stamp Clubs, Central States Area, will hold its annual exhibition and Philatelic Congress in the Claypool Hotel, Indianapolis, Ind., October 26-27. The Indiana Stamp Club will be the host organization.

There will be a convention postal station with a special postmark for the occasion. Covers with appropriate cachet in red and blue will be available at 10c each. The cachet will feature a racing car in an outline map of Indiana. The 4c Flag stamp will be used. Collectors wanting covers may write Mrs. George Schamber, 270 S. Ritter Ave., Indianapolis, Ind.

The Philatelic Congress, at which three original papers will be read, will be held at 9 o'clock Sunday morning. Additional information may be obtained from Hugh J. Baker, Jr., 3907 Washington Blvd., Indianapolis.

There will be nine classes in the exhibition: 19th Century U.S., 20th Century U.S., British Empire, All other Foreign Countries, Airmail Stamps of the World, Topical, Miscellaneous, Winners' Class and Junior exhibits. In addition to first place awards, ribbons will be given for the first three places in each class. APS and SPA medals also will be awarded. For further information and entry blanks write: J. A. Zishka, 1225 N. High School Rd., Indianapolis 24, Ind.

Reservations for the convention banquet Saturday night may be obtained from Max Simon, 2009 E. 52nd St., Indianapolis. Tickets are \$3.50 each.

A limited number of bourse tables is available at \$15 each. Apply to J. Lester Williams, 26 E. 33rd St., Indianapolis 5.

For hotel reservations, write the Claypool Hotel direct or Mrs. Lillian Meeker, 34 Jenny Lane, Indianapolis. Rates are \$7 up single; \$9.50 up double.

foundation for these is a hollow figment of one individual's imagination, or at best these figures are arrived at mainly from the stock of his limited plate block accumulation.

To all of this I can add another observation. A number of years ago, included in this price list, was one plate number from the Win the War issue which had various values on the four positions. The plate number had never gone to press or ever existed! However unsavory a condition that may be, it is still perfectly legal to publish such price lists, misleading as they may be from fact and reality. The unfortunate condition being that it is up to each individual collector to watch his own step, learn the facts surrounding each plate number before placing faith in the inflated prices of specific plate numbers or positions.

Yet the blame is not so much with the individual who publishes such price lists, as with the man who promotes the circulation of the price list and prices, even though he implies that he is merely standing by as a disinterested observer. The presentation of his journalistic efforts is in a manner that implies acceptance of these prices as values and as facts. Rather than question the how, why and wherefore, the article proceeds to justify the pricing.

I regard an article of this sort as irresponsible reporting that does damage to plate block collecting. As is normally the case, the damage that he has done is far greater than the efforts to correct it in subsequent articles.

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The new Italian "Highway Safety" stamp is out, according to P. Ostrow, Burlington, Vt.

The 25 Lira stamp is intended to reinforce a campaign for more careful highway driving in Italy. Italians have been known for their reckless motoring habits. The past year has seen a constantly increasing demand for controls, culminating in the recent passage, for the first time, of a schedule of permissible highway speeds.



The various organs of the Italian Touring Club are featuring article after article on careful driving habits, ranging from the proper methods of shifting gears to the effect of speed upon the ability to stop a car in motion. In fact, it all reads remarkably like translations of similar articles in the typical American newspaper!

The new adhesive is green and red. It shows two intersecting highways, with a traffic light showing red. At the bottom is a two-line inscription "Prudenza sulla Strada" (Care on the Road). The design is by R. Mura. Printing is, as usual, by photogravure, with the now-traditional multiple-star watermark, in panes of 50 stamps.

Austria Society's
First Fall Session

The Austria Philatelic Society will hold its first meeting of the new season at 8 p.m. September 9, at the Collectors' Club, 22 E. 35th St., New York.

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135	182*	202	110	133	212
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There has been running in the
"Form", the official organ of the
Precancel Stamp Society an exten-
sive list of plate numbers on the
Presidential series of Bureau
Prints. This included both wide
and narrow types and Defense
and War issue items. Despite this list
I do not believe there is much in-
terest in plate numbers.

On several occasions I approach-
ed Steve Rich when he edited the
Bureau catalog about this matter,
and I feel that if he thought there
was enough interest he would have
in some form or other made de-
finite listings and pricings of such
items. True, they are very interest-
ing and in a lot of instances
scarce but I believe there is less
interest in these than in blocks of
four or in coil pairs.

The case is just about the same
in the local field. I know of only
two or three who are interested in
plate numbers locally—these mostly
on singles. The reason I think is
that there is enough straight mat-
terial to collect to make the plate
numbers become cumbersome if
added to most collections.

If the number of collectable
varieties were less it is possible
there might have been more in-
terest. As time passes and trends
change it is possible some fields
might be collected with the plate
number either in singles or blocks
of four.

BULLETIN BOARD

The "Keystoner" and a special
bulletin sent out by the Western
Pennsylvania Precancel Society—
the "Keystoner" from Spartans-
burg, Pa. and the "Bulletin" from
Jamison, Pa. A notice from the
New Mexico Club from Zuni, N.M.
in 1c Liberties. The "Printed
Dated Club News" again from
Rockford, Ill. This time a 1/2c
Prexy in a handstamp type (U-
120n) and a 1 1/2c narrow Bureau
dated "PDPN" 7-57. The "Buck-
eye Bulletin" of the Central, Ohio
Precancel Club mailed from Bain-
bridge, Ohio.

NOTES

Some Liberty dollar values:
Memphis, Tenn. U-12 type; Pueblo,
Colo. U-122 wide type; Waverly,
N.Y. U-120 wide type. It is the
opinion of Charles Metz of Phil-
adelphia that the changes made in
Bureau of recent times is due
mostly in the basic difference in
the making of the overprinting
plate. This is the change from
handset to machine set slugs to
make the mat for the curved plate.
Mr. Metz warns that one should
closely scan every new Liberty
Bureau as there are many changes
being made which of course the
Bureau does not announce.

The pace continues with the Post
Office Department discontinuing
small offices or even large ones if
they are close to still larger cities.
Several second class offices have
been discontinued in recent
months. Still, a few new offices
are being authorized. Many of
these might be scarce in time to
come as the progress of the dis-
continuing program moves on.

At this point it is hard to say
whether this is good or bad for the
field of precancel philately. What
is your opinion?

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Arthur E. Summerfield stated that
Indianapolis, Ind. has been design-
ated as the first day city but gave
no reason why the Hoosier capital
had been chosen for the distinction.

It will be almost identical to the
superseded 20c S.D. stamp. The de-
sign is the same except for the 30c
in place of the former value. In
place of the former blue, the com-
ing item will be in maroon.

It will be 0.84 by 1.44 inches in
dimension, arranged horizontally,
electric eye perforated and issued
in panes of fifty. It will be printed
by the rotary process.

The design pictures a special de-
livery letter being delivered hand
to hand by the messenger to the
recipient. There is a dark back-
ground for the hands, the letter,
and the wording. The lettering
"Special Delivery" dominates the
top. The denomination "30c" is
placed in the lower left corner,
and in the lower right corner ap-
pears the wording "U. S. Postage."

Collectors desiring first day can-
cancellations of the 30c Special De-
livery stamp have one important
detail to remember. Besides the
special delivery, each envelope
must also bear a 3c stamp for sur-
face mail, or 6c for airmail. Such
must be affixed to covers before
being sent to the "Postmaster, In-
dianapolis, Ind." for the addition
of the new 30c S.D.

An enclosure of medium weight
should be placed in each envelope
and the flap turned in or sealed.
The outside envelope to the Post-
master should be endorsed "First
Day Covers Special Delivery
Stamp".

Australia Air
Mail Turns 40

While the American sleight-of-
hand and escape artist, Harry
Houdini, is credited with having
flown the first airplane in Australia,
and while the Frenchman, Maurice
Guillaux had made the first official
mail-carrying flight on the conti-
nent three years earlier, from Mel-
bourne to Sydney, nonetheless when
the Post Office Department of the
territory of South Australia an-
nounced that the first mail-carrying
flight in that section had been
scheduled, the public accepted it as
something new and important.

R. Graham Carey had purchased
the Blériot "60" monoplane im-
ported by Guillaux, and in October
1917 had been engaged to fly in a
fund raising campaign for the ben-
efit of the Army Nurses' Fund. A
dash of nostalgia is added by men-
tion of the fact that his plane, once
unloaded at the freight station, was
towed to the improvised flying field
by an American automobile, an
Oakland "Sensible Six" Flyer, a
make not seen in years.

Pilot Carey took off at 3 p.m.
and made the 25 miles to the Gw-
ler racetrack in safety. His "pay
load" was a number of covers and
cards, now cataloging at fancy
prices.

The same pilot will be in the air,
although at \$1 he will not be at the
controls, when the 40th anniversary
flight takes off from Adelaide, No-
vember 23, to duplicate that distant
first official mail carrying trip in
South Australia.

This time the plane will be Amer-
ican—a veteran DC-3 of the Guinea
Airways each of whose two motors
is ten or more times as powerful as
was the ancient Blériot's "kicker"—
and 1917 pilot Carey's 1957 pilot
will have to do an awful lot of
stalling to match the 1917 elapsed
time for the 25-mile journey.

The post office in Adelaide will
accept and service covers on this
forthcoming anniversary flight.
Each must be fully addressed and
franked with Australian stamps to
meet the 2/- airmail rate to destina-
tion (2/- equal 25c U. S.). Further-
more, each cover must be endorsed,
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The Falkland Islands Dependencies, next stop on our Alphabetical Global Tour of the British possessions, are quite a curiosity in more ways than one. They can hardly be called a "country" in the accepted sense, rather they are a group of several clusters of islands plus an elongated finger-shaped peninsula jutting out from the frozen wastes of the Antarctic Continent in the direction of the tip of South America.

Three groups of islands are located in the eastern half of the Dependencies: South Georgia, the most important, is in fact the only really inhabitable island because of its northernmost geographical position. The other two are the South Orkneys and the uninhabited rocks of the South Sandwich Islands, which is the only region which is undisputedly British.

In the western half we find the South Shetland Islands, guarding the approaches to the peninsula which is called Graham Land.

What necessity is there for stamps in areas which are, with the exception of South Georgia, completely barren of human life but for a handful of officials, scientists and weathermen? The simply answer is that the original purposes was entirely political.

During and since World War II, both Chile and Argentina have made extensive claim. In the Antarctic region which Britain has claimed for her own. Right at this moment there are active bases of both these Latin American states in operation in all territories except South Georgia!

Argentina, which also lays claim to the Falkland Islands proper, considers virtually the entire Dependencies as Argentine soil and has commemorated the 50th anniversary of the establishment of her original base in the South Orkneys in 1904 with an attractive pictorial, Scott No. 621.

Britain readily admits that such a base, complete with post office and radio communications, existed for about a year, but maintains that it was voluntarily turned over to Argentina by a Scottish expedition under Dr. W. S. Bruce with the consent of the British government.

Argentina returned to the South Orkneys in 1942 when it appeared that Britain might be defeated in World War II. The Chileans appeared on the scene in 1940 by announcing that the South Shetlands and Graham Land constitute the Chilean Antarctic, but took no steps to occupy these areas until 1947 when they set up bases in both.

Although the Argentine and Chilean claims in the Falkland Dependencies overlap, the two countries jointly dispatched important naval elements to the scene in 1947. After some diplomatic skirmishing, Britain decided to send some warships also, but by the time these arrived, the South American forces had already withdrawn.

Since then, the three countries have agreed to keep their navies out of the trouble zone, but the Argentine and Chilean "squatters" were allowed to remain.

South Georgia, closest to civilization at 800 miles distance from the Falklands, is a large island of 1450 square miles, 100 miles in length with a maximum breadth of 20 miles. It consists mainly of steep mountains which are covered by extensive snowfields throughout the year from which glaciers descend to the sea on a grand scale.

The 4d of the Falklands Centenary issue shows a view of South Georgia (Scott #70, also the later #91). A little grass grows on its northeastern side where the snow melts in the summer, and that is the entire "flora" of this vast territory.

The "fauna" of the area offers only a little more variety. There are one herd of reindeer, imported to the island some years ago, some penguins, albatrosses and seals, as well as the husky dogs used to pull sleds. Other than that, there are whales to which South Georgia owes its importance.

The killing of whales is rigidly controlled by international agreement and the annual quota in the Dependencies ranges from 2500 to 3500. The whalers a 1 various labor employed in reprocessing the whale carcasses account for almost the entire population of South Georgia and the Dependencies as a whole.

The population fluctuates with the season with a high of 1400 in the summer and low of 500 in the winter. There are virtually no women or children. In contrast to the Falklands with its almost purely British population, the Dependencies residents are almost all Norwegians! — All that would be needed for a real international hassle would be an official Norwegian claim to the area.

As it is, Norway controls the adjacent Antarctic slice known as "Queen Maud Land" and just to make sure that no one gets any ideas about that, Norway has just released a map stamp as one of its 3-value set marking the International Geophysical Year. Similarly, Britain wanted to confirm its possession of the Dependencies in 1944 when it rushed the first supplies of Scott Nos. 2L1 through 5L8 to the Antarctic in February 1944.

In rapid succession, these overprints were put to use in all four separate areas as they were visited by an official expedition led by Lt. Comdr. Marr. Unfortunately, some of the inks used to cancel these stamps, which ranged in color from violet to blue and blue-black, will dissolve in water, so caution is advised when soaking them off.

Since then, 37 different stamps have been issued for use in all parts of the Dependencies, highlighted by the beautiful Queen Elizabeth pictorials featuring different vessels which have taken part in Antarctic journeys of the past.

It is, of course, ridiculous to release a One Pound stamp for this remote area, especially when taxes derived from the prosperous whaling companies are so great that stamp sales do not play an important budgetary role. But this stamp is valid and official in every respect, so there is nothing anyone can do about it.

The capital of the Dependencies is Grytviken on South Georgia. Other than that the only population center is Port Foster on tiny Deception Island in the South Shetlands, practically around the corner from an Argentine base and only a few miles distant from a Chilean installation.

Grytviken has its own Norwegian Church and a large part of the non-philatelic mail of the inhabitants is addressed to relatives in Norway. The first South Georgia Post Office opened in 1909, using, of course, regular Falkland Islands stamps.

Since the letter rate to Norway was 2 1/2d at the time, there were periodic shortages of this denomination in South Georgia which resulted in some fascinating oddities. For example, during 1911/12, when there were no stamps left at all at Grytviken, each letter was inscribed "Paid 2 1/2d South Georgia" and initiated by the then magistrate E.B. Binnie!

Two years later, when stamps were again in stock, this jack-of-all-trades was also supplied with an unusual oval cancelling device which remained in use until 1924. In 1928, once again out of 2 1/2d stamps, the local postmaster ordered the overprint now listed as Falkland Islands No. 52, catalogue \$125 mint and \$135 used. Only 1,179 copies were made in all which accounts for these high price tags.

South Georgia also had two somewhat dubious bi-sects: In 1923 Falklands No. 44 was cut in half diagonally and used as a 1d, and the same procedure was followed by dividing No. 46 into two 2 1/2d stamps. Such items are, of course,

only collected on cover of which but a handful are known. It is doubtful whether either of these items was properly authorized or actually needed.

Mail deliveries to and from all parts of the Dependencies are irregular, often only once or twice a year. Mail goes via Montevideo, Uruguay, but usually is first taken to Stanley, in the Falklands proper.

Specialists in this field, which was quite dormant until the first Dependencies stamps in 1944 created a demand for "fore-runners", also like to hunt for two interesting ship cancellations, "R.M.S. Falkland", about 1914-1918, and "H.M. C.S. Afterglow", about 1921-1926.

Some more data on the Falklands Dependencies will follow. See you next week!

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All lots will be sold to the highest bidder, lots on display until closing date. F—Fine—Perfs clear of design. VF—Very Fine—Well Centered. NH—Never Hinged. OG—Original Gum. *—Mint; #—Block; ○—Used.

UNITED STATES		
Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.
1	#10 3c Type I, Fine used Hor. Pair	10.00
2	#35 10c Green, VF used	6.00
3	#63 1c Blue, On small rect. cover.	—
4	Fold cane, Boston, Mass., F-Mint VF used	—
5	#65B 3c Rose, F-Mint VF used	—
6	#70B 24c Steel Blue, JF-F used	100.00
7	#71 30c Orange, JF-F used	8.00
8	#87-89 2c-10c Grills, JF used	14.00
9	#98 15c Grill, JF-F used	7.50
10	#119 15c 1869, F-VF used	10.00
11	#137 6c Carmine, Fine used	25.00
12	#140 12c Violet, JF-F used Repair, tear	135.00
13	#151 12c Violet, 2 F-VF used	—
14	One red cane, and Black cane.	10.50
15	#152 15c Orange, Fine used, Red cane	12.00
16	#162-63, 6c 12c-30c, JF used	17.50
17	#217 30c Brown, Fine used	8.00
18	#219-229 1c-90c, JF-F used	18.00
19	#229 90c Orange, F-VF used	10.00
20	#285 1c Trans-Miss. F-VF mint NH	—
21	block of 4 with #	7.50
22	#285-290 1c-10c Trans-Miss. F-VF used	12.00
23	#291 50c Trans-Miss. Fine used	12.50
24	#285-291 1c-10c Trans-Miss. F-VF used	22.45
25	#294-299 1c-10c Pan-American, Fine	—
26	Mint set	32.15
27	#323-327 1c-10c Louisiana, Fine used	15.70
28	#330 5c Jamestown, Fine, Mint NH	—
29	Plate, Single	8.50
30	#328-330 1c-3c Jamestown, VF used	5.50 +
31	#342 1c Violet Brown, Fine used	10.00
32	#349 2c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair	8.00
33	#350 4c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair	20.00
34	#351 5c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair	32.50
35	#352 1c Coll. VF-Mint NH Pair mm	9.00
36	#353 2c Carmine, VF Mint Pair 2mm	8.00
37	#354 2c Coll. VF-Mint NH Pair	7.50
38	#356 10c Coll. VF-Mint NH Pair	120.00
39	#357 7c, 72 2c Commem. 1909, Fine	—
40	used blocks	8.00
41	#371 2c Alaska-Yukon VF Mint NH	—
42	block Imperf.	27.50
43	#385-387 1c-2c Colls. F-VF Mint	9.00
44	#385-386 1c-2c Colls. F-VF Mint	49.00
45	#385-386 1c-2c Colls. F-VF Mint pairs	9.00
46	#387 1c Coll. VF Mint NH Line pair	11.00
47	#387 1c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair 3mm.	10.00
48	#387 1c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair 2mm.	9.00
49	#387 1c Coll. VF Mint NH Pair	20.00
50	#391 2c Perf 8 1/2 VF mint NH strip of 4	14.00
51	#397-400A 1c-10c Pan-Pac. Perf 12	—
52	F-VF used	6.37
53	#404 10c Pan-Pacific Perf 10 VF used	7.50
54	#401-404 1c-10c Pan-Pac. Perf 10	—
55	F-VF used	10.90
56	#413 2c Perf 8 1/2 VF Mint NH pair	6.00
57	#413 2c Perf 8 1/2 VF Mint NH strip of 4	12.00
58	#419 20c Perf. 12 VF Mint	9.00
59	#420 30c Orange, VF Mint	8.75
60	#414-422 8c-1 Fine used	19.90
61	#421-423 50c-51 Fine used	12.25
62	#424 15c Perf. 10, Fine used block	7.50
63	#439 30c Perf. 10, Fine Mint	15.00
64	#441-444 1c-2c Colls. F-VF Mint	13.61
65	#441-444 1c-2c Colls. F-VF Mint pairs	16.20
66	#444 2c Carmine, VF Mint NH pair	8.00
67	#444 2c Carmine, VF Mint NH line pair	9.00
68	#450 1c Perf. 10, VF Mint	8.00
69	#461 2c Perf. 11, VF Mint	8.00
70	#461 2c Perf. 11, VF used	8.00
71	#464 3c Perf. 10, VF Mint NH	6.50
72	#500 2c Type 1a, Fine Mint block of 4	—
73	with Plate	—
74	#501b 3c Type I JF Booklet pane of 6	—
75	with plate #3095	5.00
76	#501b 3c Type I JF Mint Booklet	—
77	pane of 6	5.00
78	#519 2c Carmine, VF Mint block	22.50
79	#525 1c Offset, Emerald, Fine mint block	6.40
80	#529 3c Type III, F-Mint Triple print	—
81	#535 3c Offset Imperf., VF Mint block	9.00
82	#531-52, 35 1c-3c Imperf. F-VF used	8.10
83	#536 1c Perf 12 1/2, Fine Mint NH block	8.50
84	#536a 1c Gray Green, Perf 12 1/2, VF	—
85	Mint NH Imperf. Ver. Pair	100.00
86	#537a 3c Victory, Red Violet, VF used	6.50
87	#545 1c Perf 11, Fine mint	10.00
88	#548-550 1c-5c Pilgrims, F-VF Mint	6.30
89	#548-550 1c-5c Pilgrims, VF Mint	4.10
90	#554a 2c Carmine, F-VF Mint NH	—
91	Imperf. Ver. Pair	—
92	#572 32 Flat, VF used block of 4	—
93	with Plate	6.50
94	#575-577 1c-2c Imperf. VF Mint block	9.20
95	#578-579 1c-2c Perf 11x10 F-VF Mint NH	10.00
96	#578 1c Perf 11x10, F-VF used	7.00
97	#584 3c Perf. 10, F-VF Mint block	10.00
98	#589 8c Perf. 10, Fine Plate block of 4	—
99	L.R. #1877	10.00
100	#611 2c Harding Imperf., VF used	—
101	B.R. corner block of 6	10.30
102	#614-619 1c-5c Lexington and Walkons	—
103	Fine Mint	10.75
104	#619 1c-5c Lexington, Fine used	—
105	blocks of 4	15.00
106	#579 2c Perf 11x10, VF Mint bottom	—
107	margin Imperf.	—
108	#679 10c Nebr. JF-F Mint, Precancel	—
109	Hanging, Nebr.	—
110	#696 15c Rotary, Fine Mint Plate block	6.50
111	#771 15c Farley, VF Mint block	6.80
112	#764 9c Farley, VF Mint Plate blk	—
113	of 6, Bottom	7.00
114	#766-767 1c-3c Chicago, VF Mint	—
115	Cross gutter blocks	15.00
116	#803 etc. 1938 Pres. 54 Plate blks. 2c	—
117	Crane Hsting. \$156.00, Retail	—
118	#859-893 Fam. Americans, F-Mint cpl. 13.49	—
119	#859-893 Fam. Americans, Fine used	—
120	blk. 101	24.11
121	#899 1c Defense, Mint Hor. Fr.	—
122	left margin Imperf.	—
123	#899b 1c Defense, Fine mint block	—
124	Imperf between with 1 hole	—
125	#899-901 1c-3c Defense, VF Mint Imperf.	—
126	between pairs. All with 1 hole	—
127	#921 5c Korea, VF Mint Double print	—
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Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.
127	#12 5c Charter 10 VF Mint	—
128	#17-17 1c P.U. VF blks on 2 first day cover	—
129	#17 3c U.P.U. 25 F-VF used	—
130	#19-26 VF mint blks of 4	—
131	#19-20 Techn. Assist. VF mint blk of 4	—
132	#19-20 Techn. Assist. 10 VF mint sets	—
133	#19 3c Techn. Assist. VF matched all position	—
134	#21-22 1953 H.R. 10 VF mint sets	—
135	#21-22 1953 H.R. VF mint Imp. blks 4	—
136	#21 1c 1953 H.R. VF matched all position	—
137	#23-24 F.A.O. 10 VF mint sets	—
138	#23-24 F.A.O. VF mint Imp. blk of 4	—
139	#23 3c F.A.O. VF matched all position	—
140	#25-26 I.L.O. 10 VF mint sets	—
141	#25-26 I.L.O. VF mint Imp. blk of 4	—
142	#25 3c I.L.O. VF matched all position	—
143	#29-30 1954 H.R. 10 VF mint sets	—
144	#29-30 1954 H.R. fine mint Imp. blks of 4	—
145	#31-32 I.C.A.O. 10 VF mint sets	—
146	#31-32 I.C.A.O. VF mint Imp. blks of 4	—
147	#31 3c I.C.A.O. VF matched all position	—
148	#35 U.N. Day F-VF matched all position	—
149	#47-48 1956 H.R. 10 Imprint blks of 4 each	—
150	#49-50 W.M.F. 10 Imprint blks of 4 each	—
151	#51-52 U.N.E.S.C. 10 Imprint blks of 4 each	—

UNITED STATES WHOLESALE		
Lot #	Description	Cat. Val.
153	#16 3c Type I 10 Fine used	30.00
154	#16 3c Type I 10 Fine used	14.00
155	#114 3c 1869 15 F-VF used	36.00
156	#135 2c Grill 10 F-VF used	35.00
157	#135 2c Grill 10 F-VF used	35.00
158	#145 1c Ultramarine 15 F-VF used	10.50
159	#146 1c Red Brown 20 F-VF used	18.00
160	#147 3c Green 100 F-VF used	12.00
161	#147 3c Green 100 F-VF used	12.00